

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Not Easy Talks

TODAY is an important date for the people of Malaya. If the secret negotiations between the chief ministers of the Malayan Federal Government and Singapore and Chin Peng the leader of the Communist terrorists fructify satisfactorily the eight-year state of war can come to an immediate end; the distressing alternative is continuation of the emergency and its attendant jungle hostilities.

The talks stem from an amnesty offer made to the Communist guerrillas some months ago and which failed to produce hoped-for results. Very few of the bandits have taken advantage of the offer and there has been no diminishing of terrorist acts by the Communists. Against this background the prospects of successful negotiations by Tengku Abdul Rahman and Mr. Marshall do not appear to be particularly bright.

The great unknown factor in Chin Peng's attitude to the negotiations, has he undergone a change of heart? If not, and if he is determined to attempt to dictate terms, the meeting can be written off as a waste of time before it starts. The Communist leader cannot negotiate from a position of strength, and any effort by him to suggest otherwise will be a transparent bluff.

THE representatives of the Malayan and Singapore governments are confident they hold the trump cards; that because the Communists have been steadily losing the jungle war they can, if necessary, adopt a "take it or leave it" attitude towards the Communist delegate. This confidence may be well founded, yet everybody will be curious to know precisely what offer they are going to make to Chin Peng.

The Malaya Communist Party are suggesting that Chin Peng will be prepared to accept "reasonable terms," without indicating what they consider these should or might be. The amnesty offer will undoubtedly be repeated, but this must be accompanied by conditions, chief of which is likely to be disarmament of the Communist Party in Malaya. This is the one condition which Chin Peng will be hard put to accept. On the contrary, if he is going to the negotiations armed with "terms" assuredly they will include the continued existence and recognition of the Communist Party in Malaya. If the talks founder, it will be on this point.

It has been observed by Tengku Abdul Rahman that he and Mr. Marshall, because they are in a strong negotiating position, can afford to be lenient. Again the question arises, in what direction? Organised Communism is a threat to the security of Malaya and Singapore; cessation of jungle hostilities would not guarantee cessation of other subversive activities by the Reds. And as for personal leniency, Chin Peng is probably unconcerned about the proposition.

The bubbling confidence of Tengku Abdul Rahman that he and Marshall can successfully negotiate with Chin Peng is heartening, although one hopes it is not misplaced. The Communist leader is a tough, ruthless and clever man. It is not going to be easy to persuade him to surrender everything that he has worked for during the past eight years, admit humiliating defeat and acquiesce in the elimination of his beloved Communist Party.

History may be made in the little village of Baling today, yet it will occasion no great surprise if Chin Peng flings back into their faces the terms of Tengku Abdul Rahman and Mr. Marshall, having previously made up his mind that nothing offered could be regarded by him as "reasonable."

NEW PEACE MOVE BY ISRAEL

EGYPT TO
BE ASKED
TO TALKS

Jerusalem, Dec. 27.

Israel announced today she intended to propose the convocation of a conference with Egypt under article 12 of the Egyptian-Israeli general armistice agreement of 1949 "with a view to contributing to the restoration of peace between the two countries."

Major-General E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the United Nations truce supervisory organisation in Palestine, has been informed of Israel's intentions.

Disclosing this today an Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman said Israel would use her right to convene such a conference "after an effective ceasefire had been reached and an armistice agreement faithfully implemented by Egypt."

Article 12 section three of the Egyptian-Israeli armistice agreement provides that the countries can with mutual consent call for such meetings to review or revise the agreement.

The same section also provides that in the event of disagreement each of the countries can ask the United Nations Secretary-General to convene such a meeting making participation in a conference obligatory.

ISRAEL ACCEPTS

Israel also announced tonight acceptance of Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld's proposals for regulating the situation in the demilitarised zone.

Mr. Hammarskjöld had proposed the completion of marking the boundary of the old Palestine along the Western demilitarised zone, the restriction by Egypt of all check posts and defence posts to the West of the Western boundary of the demilitarised zone and the removal of personnel obstacles and land mines from all positions within the zone. Simultaneous removal by Israel of all obstacles and mines and limitation of Israeli personnel to the inhabitants of Kibbutz Keizot and 30 civilian police for the protection of civilian activities. —Reuter and United Press.

STORMY ELECTION
MEETING IN PARIS

Paris, Dec. 27.

The French Communist Party Secretary, M. Jacques Duclos, tonight challenged the former Premier, M. Pierre Mendes-France to join with the Communists in a "popular front" of left-wing parties.

M. Duclos was speaking in Paris on the same platform with M. Mendes-France at the most sensational political rally of the present political election campaign.

Thousands of excited Parisians packed the auditorium where the two men spoke. So many people turned up tonight for the public meeting of M. Mendes-France and M. Duclos that loud-speakers had to be installed outside the building so that the overflow of the crowd could hear.

Heckled By Crowd

M. Mendes-France, who spoke first, presented the platform of the "Republican Front," his left-wing alliance, opposing Premier Edgar Faure. He was constantly interrupted by shouts from the Communists in the crowd of "Popular Front."

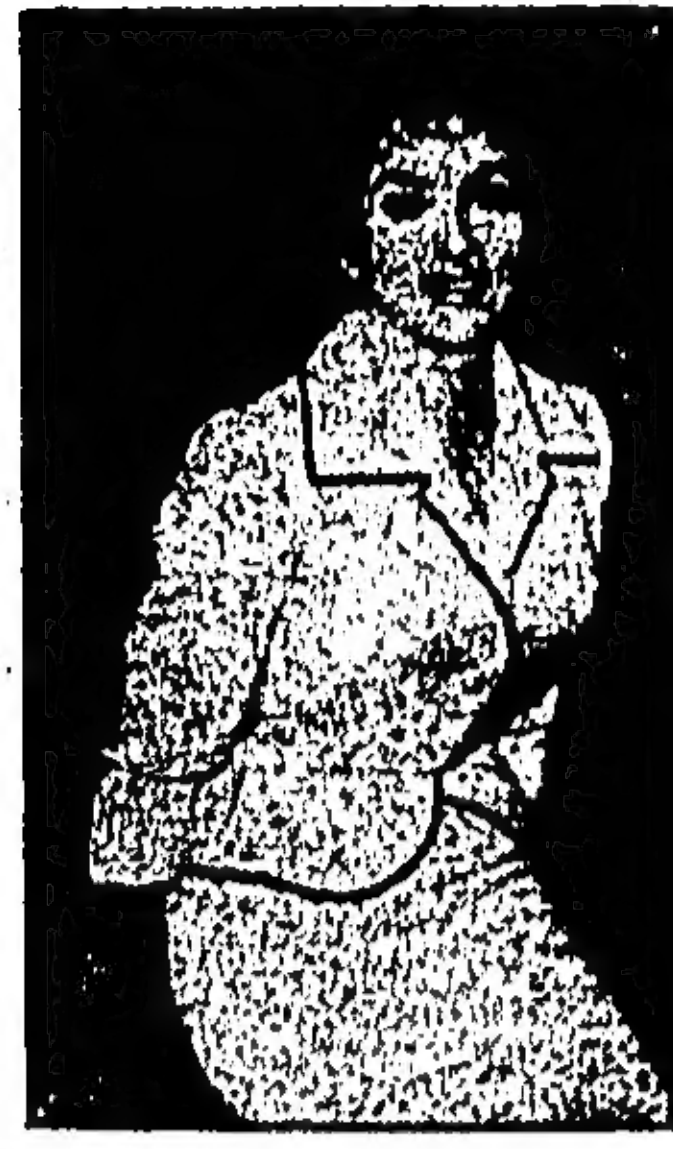
The "Popular Front" was a reference to the political alliance of the Communists, Socialists and Radical-Socialist parties, which campaigned together before the formation of Premier Leon Blum's government in 1936.

"La Lollo" Wins Tax Victory



Silvana Pampanini

Rome, Dec. 27. Italian screen beauty Gina Lollobrigida today won a smashing victory over her sultry rival Sophia Loren when the Rome Municipal Tax Office announced that, in their eyes, Lollobrigida was worth 80 million lire (just over £40,000) against only 25 million for Sophia Loren.



Gina Lollobrigida

Sophia Loren was also beaten in the tax race by green-eyed actress Silvana Pampanini, who was estimated to be worth 60 million lire by the tax office.

The only film personality, who equaled Lollobrigida in the eyes of Rome tax officials was the comedian "Toto", who



Sophia Loren

also was listed to be worth 80 million lire.

The real tax honours went to Prince Alessandro Torlonia, who was estimated to be worth about 700 million lire (about £400,000).

The Prince, more modest than the tax officials, had declared his fortune at a mere 20 million lire. —France-Press.

CHIN PENG ARRIVES IN
BALING FOR VITAL TALKS

Baling, Dec. 28.

Chin Peng, 33-year-old Secretary General of the Malayan Communist Party, today emerged from the jungle near the Thailand border for talks with the Chief Ministers of Malaya and Singapore which may end the country's emergency.

It was the first time Chin Peng has been seen in public since he went underground almost eight years ago.

He was met in a jungle clearing by a Government escorting officer, Mr. John Davis, who once fought with Chin Peng against the Japanese during World War II in the same area of Malaya.

HEAVY ESCORT

Two other Communist representatives arrived at a rendezvous at 0957 local time, three minutes before schedule. They were taken in a heavily escorted convoy to a meeting place in Baling English school.

Meanwhile, armed escort groups of about 40 Communist terrorists and an equal number of Malay field force police

were facing each other 400 yards apart along the lonely jungle road as Mr. Davis walked into the jungle clearing to meet the Communist leaders.

In Baling, Chin Peng's team will meet Tengku Abdul Rahman, the Chief Minister of Malaya, Mr. David Marshall, the Chief Minister of Singapore, and Datu Sir Cheng Lock-tan, the President of the Malayan Chinese Association.

The government side will be prepared to discuss the amnesty offer made to the 3,500 Communist terrorists now operating in the jungle.

HIS DEMAND?

But it is believed from a recent Communist Party manifesto that Chin Peng will ask for negotiations to end the "war" and for political recognition and a part in establishing Malaya's independence.

The Chief Ministers of Malaya and Singapore travelled from Kuala Lumpur to Baling last night.

Leader in the talks on the Government side is Tengku Abdul Rahman, Malaya's Chief Minister, whose offer of an amnesty to the Communists, last September, led up to today's talks.

With him, travelling from Kuala Lumpur by train tonight, is Mr. David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister.

In Baling they will join up with Datu Sir Cheng Lock-tan, president of the Malayan Chinese Association, who will complete the Government team.

SECRET TALKS

Their talks are to be secret. Baling is now the centre of a tight security area and in the middle of the town itself, cut off by barbed wire and by police and military guards, is a smaller

Record U.S.
Holiday
Death Toll

New York, Dec. 27. At least 605 people died in traffic accidents in the United States over the Christmas holidays—an all-time record.

The National Safety Council repeatedly revised the death toll today as delayed reports of road tragedies filtered into its headquarters. About 60 other people died from other causes setting a new record for the number of violent deaths of all types in a three-day Christmas holiday. —Reuter.

"DROWNED" CITY
HIT BY
SECOND FLOOD

San Francisco, Dec. 27.

Disaster-ridden Yuba City went under virtual martial law today as a new flood inundated half the city. Three hundred soldiers were ordered out to guard against looters.

A new crest, rolling down the Feather River from the High Sierra, pushed past the city early today, sending another deluge of water pouring through the original levee break.

Within a matter of a few hours, half the town was under water for the second time in four days—some of it to a depth of three feet.

The newest flood interrupted the search for additional casualties as the toll throughout California and Oregon rose to 58. Thirteen deaths were

notified in Oregon and 45 in California, including 14 in the Yuba area alone.

Sutter County officials said the full casualty figures were not yet known in the Yuba flood area. They fear the death toll may rise.

\$100 MILLION DAMAGE

Damage from the disastrous series of floods in California and Oregon was unofficially set at \$100,000,000 today and was still mounting as State, local and Federal authorities surveyed the ruins.

Today's flooding in the Sacramento Valley community could do little or no additional damage and officials waited for the water to recede a second time before beginning the job of cleaning up and rebuilding.

The city's 10,000 residents were still prevented from returning to their homes, mainly due to the danger of disease from a contaminated water supply. Medical authorities were preparing for mass typhoid inoculations.

SPECIAL PASSES

In Sacramento, Governor Goodwin Knight announced that he had ordered an additional 300 National Guardsmen to Yuba City at the request of Mayor Glenn Gaucha, to help guard against looting of empty shops and homes.

The City Council previously had more than 100 armed guards patrolling the streets and last night it placed a 5 p.m. curfew in effect. No one was allowed out after dark without a special pass. —United Press.

A-powered
Ships Not
Likely Yet

Paris, Dec. 28.

The use of nuclear energy for the propulsion of ships with the exception of "prestige ships" and warships, is unlikely to be economically feasible in the near future, according to the report on nuclear energy published today.

It has been drawn up by a working party of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation.

There was little possibility of a nuclear ship being operated more cheaply than present-day vessels burning coal or oil fuel.

Weight, size, and the need for special security precautions were other reasons given for little early prospect of a nuclear ship.

"If under present conditions a nuclear-powered ship were to sink in a large port the damage would be incalculable," the report explained. —Reuter.

30 U.S. REPORTERS
ARE INVESTIGATED
Communist Activities In Newspapers?

Washington, Dec. 27.

About 30 journalists of the "New York Times" newspaper have been questioned in a closed session of the United States Senate Internal Security sub-committee in recent weeks, it was learned today.

Reporters for certain other publications—including the New York Post, the New York Daily Mirror, the New York Daily News and "Time" magazine—have also been questioned by the committee.

The investigation into the "Times" was touched off by statements made last June by Winston Burdett, a radio news commentator, who said that from 1937 to 1942, he had belonged to a Communist "cell" in the now defunct "Brooklyn Eagle" newspaper. Burdett named 23 journalists who, he said, were other Communists or crypto-Communists, some of whom had worked at one time or another for the "Times."

The "Times" has frequently attacked the methods of the Internal Security sub-committee, especially at the time when that committee was headed by Senator Joseph McCarthy.

The sub-committee is now headed by Democratic Senator James Eastland who said last July that he did not want to threaten the press, but only Communists who have succeeded in infiltrating the newspapers. —France-Press.

Pact Ratified

Washington, Dec. 27. West Germany today completed the ratification of its mutual defence pact with the United States by depositing the instruments of ratification at the State Department. The ceremony clears the way for the first deliveries of American arms to West Germany within the next few weeks. —France-Press.

SUDDEN
DEATH OF
U.K. UNION
LEADER

London, Dec. 27. Mr. Arthur "Jock" Tiffin, General Secretary of Britain's biggest trade union—the 1,300,000 strong Transport and General Workers' Union—died in hospital today.



A. E. TIFFIN

He had only held the office since June succeeding Mr. Arthur Denkin who collapsed and died last May.

Mr. Tiffin, who was 59, was a former London bus driver and was for many years assistant to Mr. Denkin—one of the most powerful men in the British trade union movement.

Mr. Tiffin was twice married and had two sons. He was born in Cumberland in north-west England.

The job of General Secretary of the T. G. W. U. is regarded as one of the key posts in British trade unionism and carries a salary of £1,850 a year. Mr. Denkin's predecessor in office was the late Mr. Ernest Bevin, a former Labour Foreign Secretary and Minister of Labour in Sir Winston Churchill's wartime coalition government. —Reuter.

Russians Free
U.S. Soldier

Berlin, Dec. 27.

Soviet Russia abided by four-power agreements on control of Berlin tonight and released an American sergeant arrested by East Berlin Police on charges of drunken driving.

The Russians turned M/Sgt. Mike Klimm, 47, of New York, over to the American authorities at Soviet headquarters. He was arrested by the Communist "People's Police" last night after his car collided with a taxi in East Berlin.

The East German Communists said Klimm was drunk and passed a stop sign. Their charges indicated they might attempt to try him in an East German court. —United Press.

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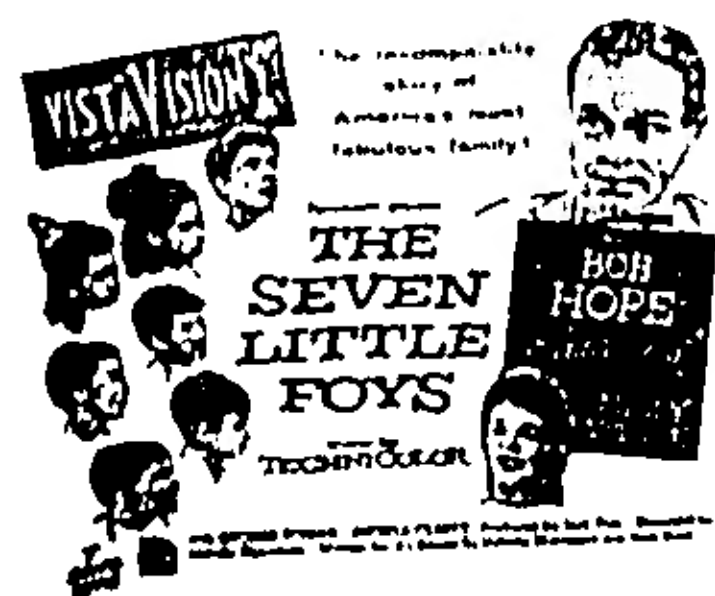
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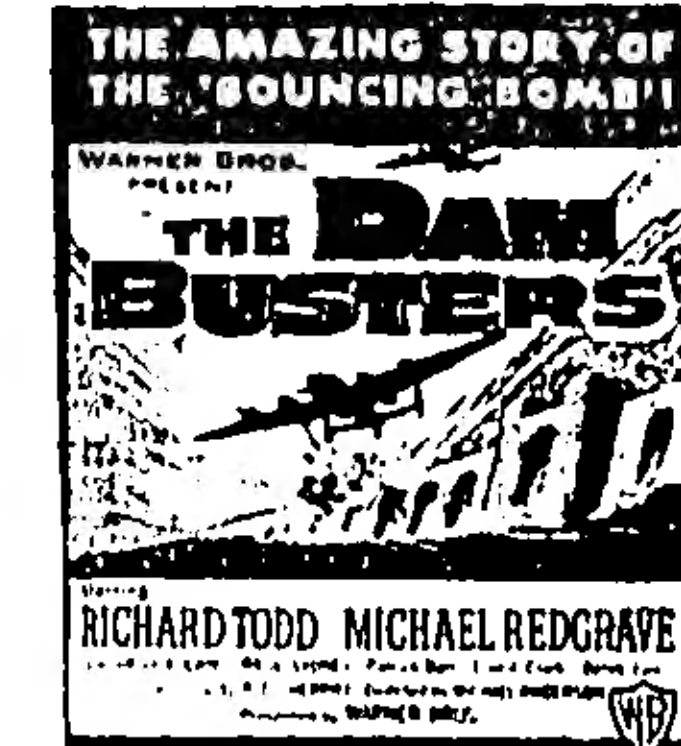
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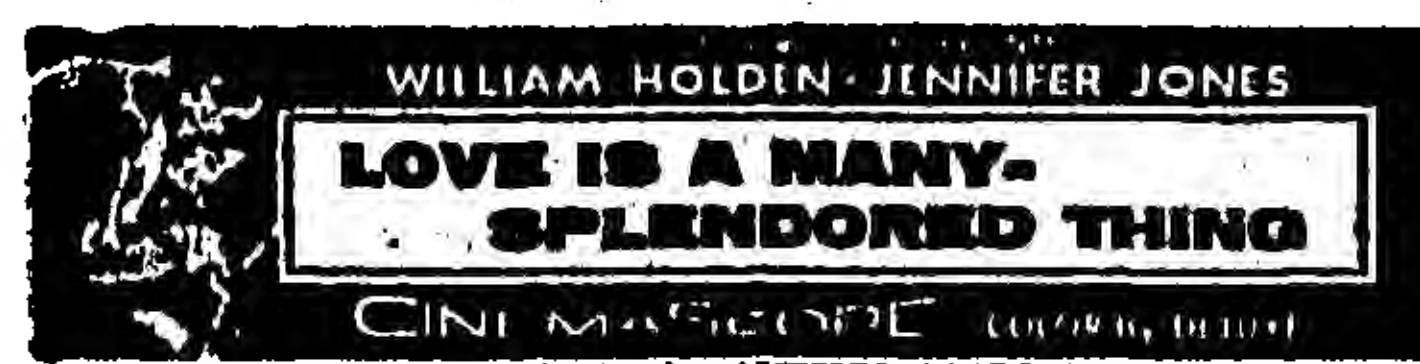
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REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Belgian Bridge Opened



King Baudouin of the Belgians presides a button and opens to traffic Belgium's longest bridge. The ceremony took place at Tamise. Six thousand tons of steel were used in constructing the bridge, which is 1,197½ feet long. — Express Photo.

International Geophysical Year

FULL RUSSIAN CO-OPERATION

Atlanta, Georgia, Dec. 27.

An American scientist said today that Russia is co-operating fully in the interchange of information connected with man's efforts to discover more of nature's secrets during the International Geophysical Year.

The 44-nation scientific project will reach its apex during the IGY from July 1, 1957 to January 1, 1958, when scientific instruments around the globe are brought to bear on unified targets.

In that period, for instance, the sun will be under close observation in an effort to find out how much it has to do with such things as tidal waves, floods and earthquakes.

Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, vice-president of the IGY committee, opened a three-day symposium to bring his colleagues up to date on the preparations and scope of the giant scientific undertaking — man's greatest single probe of nature's secrets.

Question Marks

The symposium is being held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Berkner said that the Soviet Union is working closely with the United States and "I am sure that the co-operation is bona fide."

He said much of the programme would fall without Russia's help because Asia contains some of the big question marks that have puzzled geophysicists.

He also said that, contrary to popular belief, the United States is not the heaviest per capita contributor to the IGY efforts. He said the Netherlands and Australia are putting in much more money on a population basis.

In speaking of the importance of the expeditions being made to the South Polar region, Dr. Berkner said, "We know more about the moon than we do about the Antarctic. We are going to find out. During the IGY, scientists will be tramping all over it. The Antarctic will be no place for a hermit."

Another spectacular undertaking of the IGY will be the launching of the first man-made satellite, but Dr. Berkner pointed out that the vast project will embrace 11 branches of geophysics.

20 Stations

He also mentioned in his report that 20 stations are to be established for observation of the sun, and 30 for exploration of the Antarctic.

During 1956 regional conferences will be held and next October the full committee meets to complete planning.

Each nation finances its own part of the programme. The United States plans to spend more than \$20,000,000. — United Press.

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1955 Marked End Of An Epoch In Britain

London, Dec. 27.

The year 1955 in Britain marked the end of an epoch. On April 5, Sir Winston Churchill, the last survivor of the "Big Three" of World War Two, hero of over half-a-century of political strife, retired from active political life. By a strong irony of fate, the 81-year-old statesman, because of a newspaper strike, went into retirement almost unheralded and unsung.

His successor as Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, called a general election on May 26, in which the Conservative Party was returned with an increased majority in an optimistic atmosphere of apparent prosperity, full employment and increasing purchasing power.

But soon a wave of strikes affecting almost every major industry showed that, behind its bright shop window, the British economy was seriously threatened by inflation, rising prices and wage demands.

Special Budget

In a special autumn budget, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Richard Butler, introduced new taxation and made a 20 per cent increase in the purchase tax on many consumer goods.

But this effort to check home spending has been offset by an unparalleled Christmas shopping spree by the British public.

At the year's end, no solution has been found to the problem of Britain's finances and balance of payments, which continues to dominate the whole policy of the Government.

In a Government reshuffle on December 20 Sir Anthony Eden removed the last trace of his inheritance from Sir Winston Churchill. The replacement of Mr. Butler by Mr. Harold Macmillan as Chancellor of the Exchequer appeared to foreshadow a change in the economic policy and new efforts to check inflation.

New Difficulties

In the field of foreign policy, the master plan of Sir Winston Churchill — that of a Big Four meeting "at the summit" — was put into effect soon after Sir Winston's retirement.

The breakdown in the "Geneva spirit" has been particularly felt in London since Britain's policy has been to promote conciliation between the two rival blocs.

In other aspects of its foreign policy, Britain has also encountered new difficulties and disappointments.

A conference on the future of Cyprus in London last August ended in a breakdown in negotiations between Greece, Turkey and Britain. The failure of the conference has been followed by a mounting wave of unrest in the island.

In the Middle East the signature of the Baghdad Pact has been offset by Soviet arms offers to Egypt and its allies and by the Soviet overtures to Afghanistan, India and Burma.

The Government reshuffle just before Christmas seems to indicate that Britain will once more try to take the initiative in foreign policy.

US Election

The Prime Minister, who for many years was Foreign Minister under Sir Winston Churchill, is expected to give much of his attention to foreign affairs.

In 1956, new presidential elections will be held in the United States. This will almost inevitably make American action in international diplomacy less effective. Sir Anthony feels that a great responsibility for Western diplomacy will rest on Britain. — France-Press.

Football Team:

Twelve Men
And A Calf

Prague, Dec. 27.

Supporters of a Slovak football team propelled a calf into the home goal mouth just as a visiting forward was about to shoot.

The idea was to help their team, to which defeat would have meant relegation from the minor league division.

The state sports committee's official newspaper, Czechoslovakian Sport, reported this after warning in an earlier edition that "old habits, against which it is necessary to fight on a wide front, are dangerously coming back."

It said that in several cases spectators invaded the pitch in minor league games, and after one match which brought a score of 22-11 an investigation showed that the clubs had "fixed" the result in advance. Nine players were suspended. — China Mail Special.

NEW PIANO PLAYING RECORD

Florence, Dec. 27.

Pianist Vladimir Vannini, 30-year-old local band leader, played the last notes of the song "White Christmas" at 2.01 a.m. today and claimed a new world record. He had been playing the piano uninterruptedly for the last 49 hours, one minute and 27 seconds.

He started playing early Christmas morning after attending the traditional midnight mass, and kept going until today, drinking coffee and orange juice only.

He said his record improved that of American David Bird, who pounded away for 48 hours last June in Brandon, Canada.

Vannini opened his endurance record with the same song with which he finished it. — United Press.

Mercy Call A Hoax

Melbourne, Dec. 27.

Drummers anxious to help a youth recover his lost memory jammed the Royal Melbourne Hospital's telephone switchboard for an hour with calls after someone faxed a radio station.

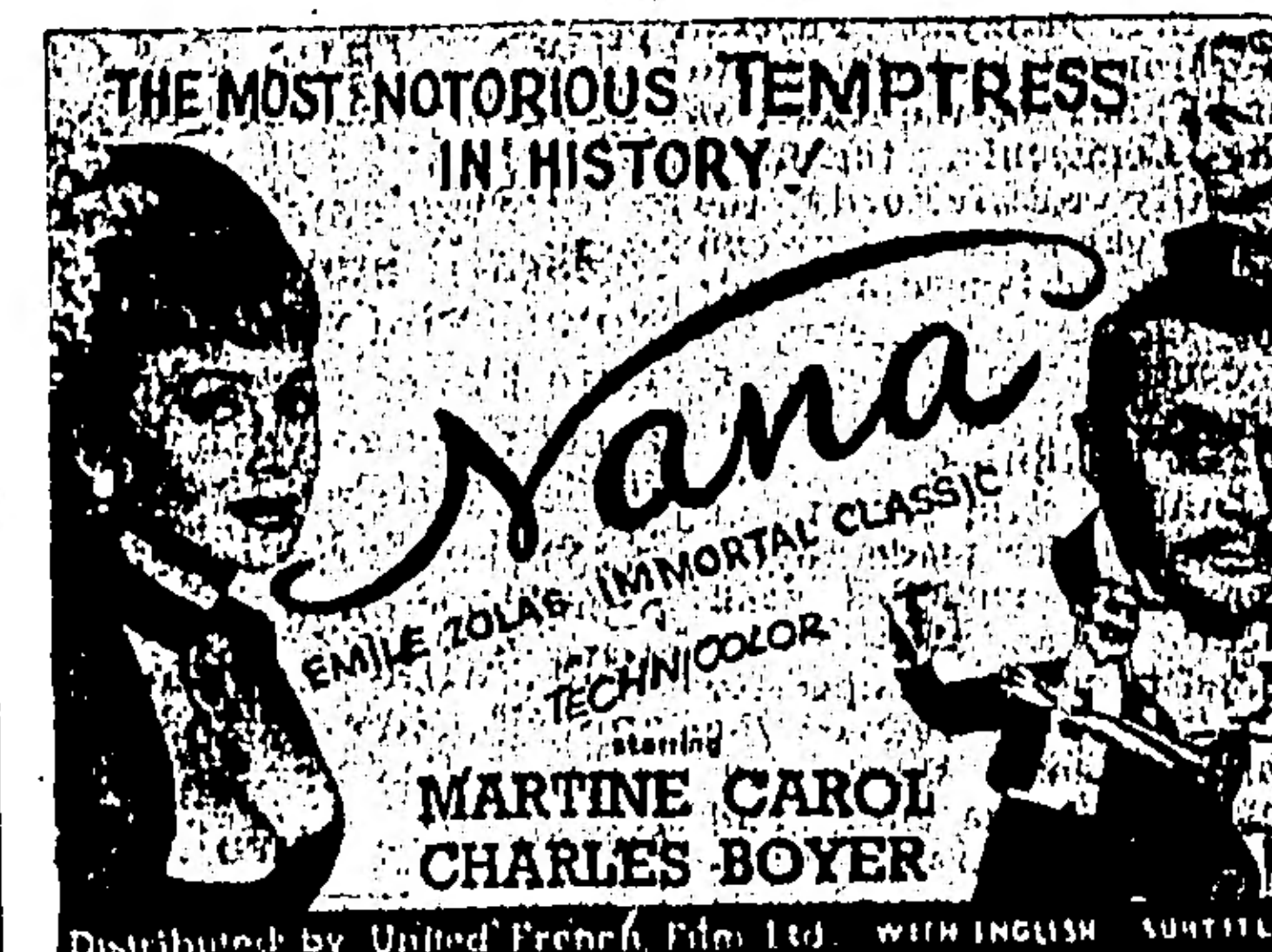
The radio broadcast an appeal which said the lost-memory youth had been a keen drummer and the familiar thud of drums might bring back his past. — China Mail Special.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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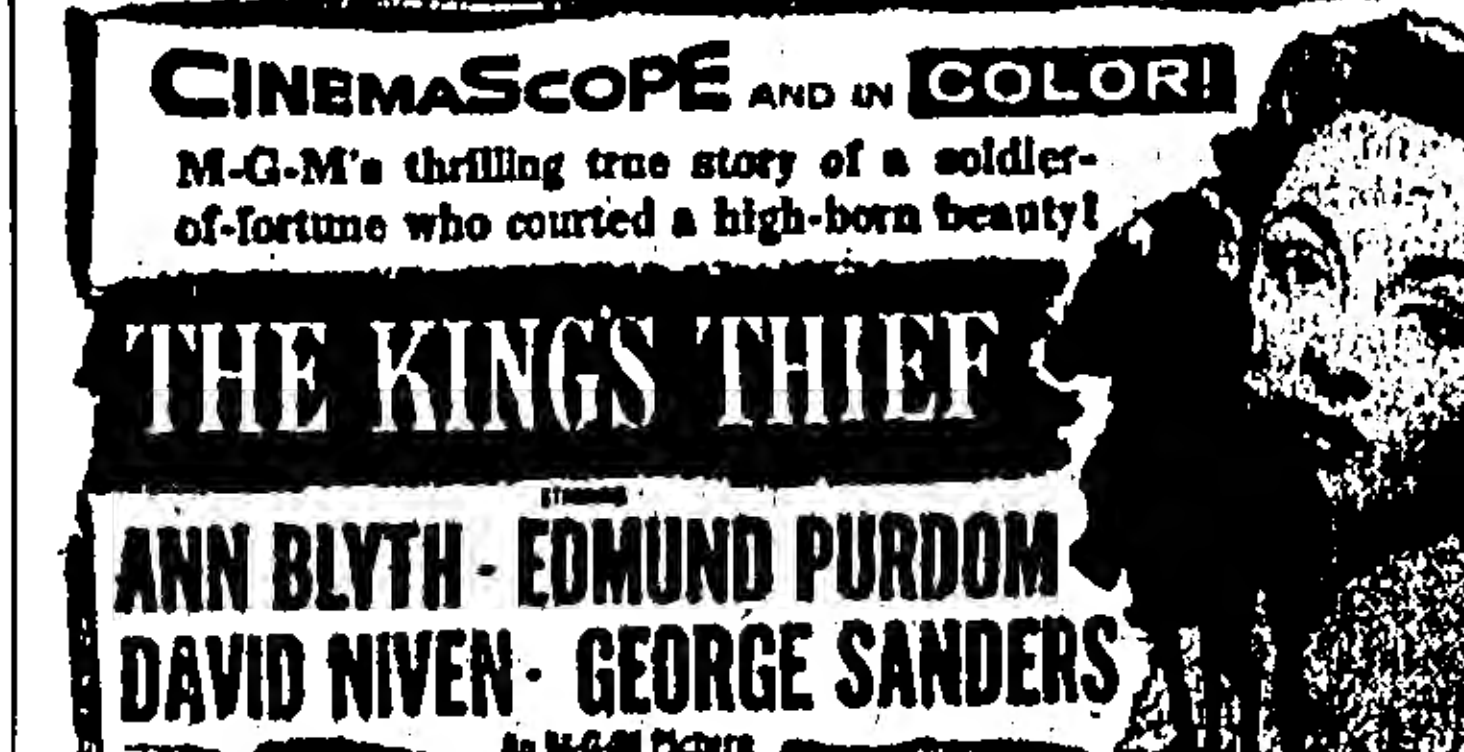


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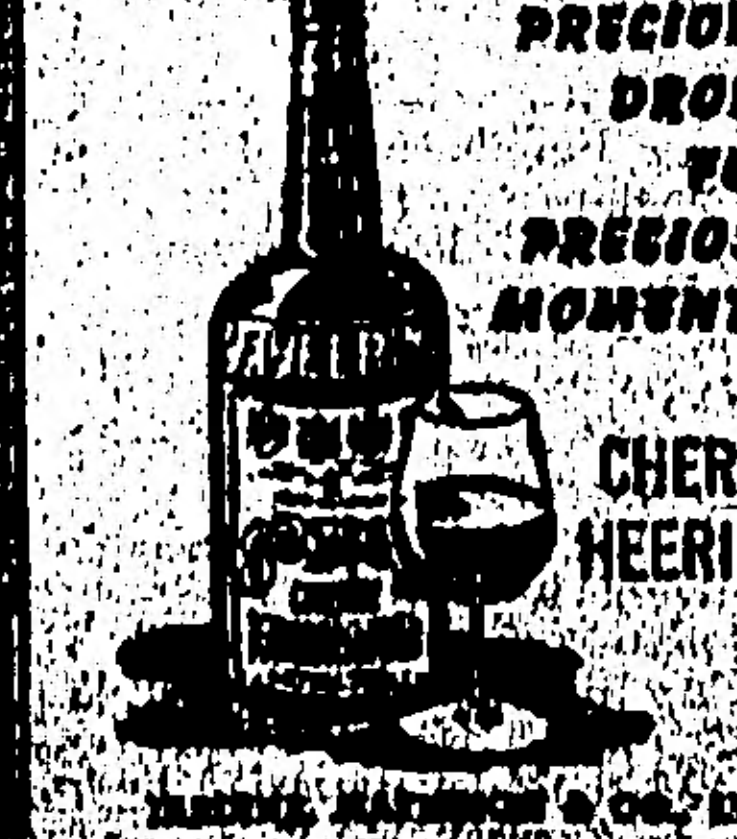
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Peaceful Use Of Atomic Energy

BRITAIN & FRANCE DO MOST FOR EUROPE'S INDUSTRY

Paris, Dec. 28.

Britain and France have done most of the work in Europe towards providing nuclear energy for industry, according to an official international report issued here today.

But Europe as a whole is backward in the development of nuclear energy for industry by comparison with the United States, the report adds.

The report was issued by a special working committee party of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC). It was prepared by the chairman of the committee, Mr. Leonidas Nioulidis of Greece, and Mr. William Humphreys of Britain and M. Roger Ockrent of Belgium. It will be considered by the OEEC in January.

Useful Achievement

The working party visited 12 member countries and consulted OEEC delegates in Paris of five others before drawing up their report on the present state of industrial nuclear power in Europe and the possibility of economic and financial co-operation within OEEC to develop it.

They noted that most of the development so far was taking place in Britain and France, though they found also some useful achievements in Scandinavia. They regarded some form of intra-European co-operation in the development of nuclear power as essential to success.

They suggested that there should be a special OEEC steering committee on nuclear energy, and proposed six different forms of economic co-operation in the atomic energy field which would be the responsibility of this committee. They were:

1. The presentation of programmes and projects.
2. The promotion of joint undertakings.
3. Harmonisation of national legislations.
4. Promotion of standardisation.
5. A system of international trade.

The OEEC report compared a number of European and American achievements in the atomic energy field demonstrating, it said, America's greater progress. —Reuter.

Ottawa, Dec. 27. Canada's population totalled 15,792,000 at December 1, a rise of 16,000 in three months, the Bureau of Statistics reported today. —China Mail Special.

Fangio To Be Investigated In Argentina

Buenos Aires, Dec. 27.

Prominent figures in sport, the theatre, the cinema and nearly all collaborators of the Peron regime figure in the new list of those whose funds have been attached pending investigation.

The total is 380. All must present themselves before the restoration board to give an account of their property to show it was legitimately acquired.

Among them are Juan Manuel Fangio, world champion racing driver, Juan and Oscar Galvez, and Jorge De-cotte, also drivers, tennis player, Maria Teran de Weiss, who is internationally known, and Carlos Menditeguy, Enrique and Juan Carlos Alessi, all polo players.

The list included the actresses, Fanny Navarro and Tita Merello, and radio announcers Luis Elias and Manuel and Boris Segal.

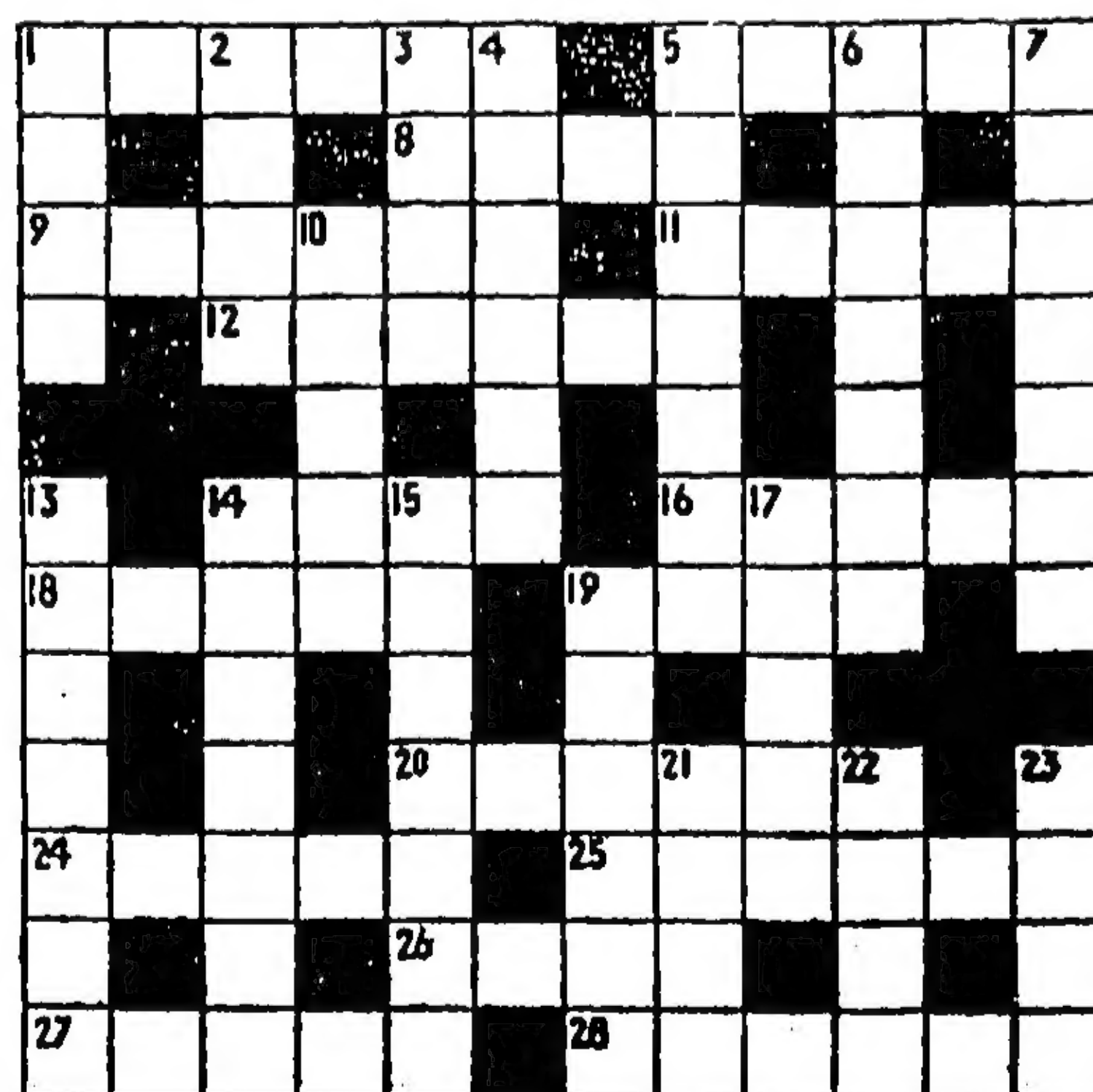
Also on the list is the Austrian industrialist, Fritz Mandl, the German industrialist, Ludovic Freudo, and all the ex-deputies and ex-governors of the Peronista administration who had not been on the original list of names as first published. —United Press.

Ex-War Criminals Released

Berlin, Dec. 27. A group of 45 German prisoners from Bautzen prison in East Germany today reported to the Red Cross in West Berlin.

They were some of the 2,610 former war criminals released by the East German Government for the festive season. —France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Forced open (6).
- 5 Tendon (5).
- 8 Outlet (4).
- 9 Lifted (6).
- 11 Go in (5).
- 12 Dapper (6).
- 14 Donation (4).
- 16 Letting contract (5).
- 18 Diminish (6).
- 19 Dispose of (4).
- 20 Oddments (6).
- 24 Precise (5).
- 25 Fastener (6).
- 26 Wickedness (4).
- 27 Glutted (5).
- 28 Wit (6).

DOWN

- 1 Wine (4).
- 2 Flower (4).
- 3 Always (4).
- 4 Subtract (6).
- 5 Spire (7).
- 6 Unaffected (7).
- 7 Terrible (5).
- 10 Separate (5).
- 13 Gets the better of (7).
- 14 Brave (7).
- 15 Fed sumptuously (7).
- 17 Run off (5).
- 19 Sally (6).
- 21 Sickens (4).
- 22 Ceded (4).
- 23 Unite (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Drama, 4 Venetian, 8 Rector, 10 Oracle, 12 Rotted, 14 Startle, 17 More, 19 Avoided, 20 Initiate, 22 Dent, 23 Erasing, 27 Teased, 28 Irons, 30 Device, 31 Grease, 32 Titan, Down: 1 Dues, 2 Arena, 3 Alert, 5 Evol, 6 Evaded, 7 Replied, 9 Reins, 11 Renits, 13 Severed, 16 Tame, 18 Bitten, 19 Rein, 20 Idling, 21 Intone, 24 Adept, 25 Tilot, 26 Green, 28 Asks.

SHOT LEADING CYPRIOT TERRORIST



Major Brian Jackson Coombes, British officer who fought and defeated four Cypriot terrorists when ambushed last week, is shown heading the funeral procession as chief mourner of his driver, killed in the ambush. One of the terrorists was killed by Major Coombes. He was Charalambos Mouskos, cousin of Archbishop Makarios. Mouskos had been hunted by British forces for five months, and there was a price of £5,000 on his head. —Express Photo.

Japan Trains Paratroopers

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Lieutenant-Colonel Hideo Nishida of Japan's Ground Self Defence Forces said Japan now has some 300 trained paratroopers in its army and expects to have a battalion soon.

He said that the force includes four majors and seven captains with between nine and 35 jumps to their credit. —China Mail Special.

MAKARIOS THANKS GREEKS

Nicosia, Dec. 27.

Archbishop Makarios, spiritual leader of the Cypriot Greeks, today thanked the Greek Government for "its active assistance and co-operation in the Cypriot people's struggle."

The Archbishop made his statement in a communique given to the press tonight after two days of talks here between the Archbishop and Mr. Alexios Lofis, an official of the Greek Foreign Ministry.

The communique said that Mr. Lofis had informed the Archbishop of the talks between Britain and Greece on the Cyprus question. It added that there was complete unity of views between the Cypriot Greeks and the Greek Government.

The communique disclosed that the Greek and British authorities had met in Paris on December 14 and 16 to discuss the Cyprus question. Mr. Lofis also met here today Sir John Harding, the British Governor of Cyprus. —France-Press.

Libel Suit Against Poujadist

Paris, Dec. 27.

M. Pierre Schneller, President of the French National Assembly, today filed a libel suit against Leon Dupont, a leader of the Poujadist anti-tax movement.

After making his allegedly libellous remarks at an election meeting at Chalon-sur-Marne on Sunday night, Dupont was reported to have said that he was waiting "impatiently and calmly to present himself before the magistrates."

Dupont will appear in court at Chalon next Thursday afternoon. M. Schneller represented the Marne constituency in the last Parliament. —France-Press.

Greece Withdraws 'Abduction' Stamps

Athens, Dec. 27.

Greece has withdrawn its "Children's abduction" series of postage stamps. The series was a set of three called "March," "Camp," and "Abduction," recalling events of the Greek civil war.

Another set commemorating the battle of Clio has also been withdrawn. —China Mail Special.

Indonesian-Dutch Relations Vague

The Hague, Dec. 27.

A "vague situation" has risen in the Netherlands - Indonesian ministers' conference being held here and in Geneva to improve relations between the two countries, according to conference circles today.

The last contact took place here on Friday when the conference's financial-economic working group met.

It is understood no date has been fixed yet for meeting after the Christmas interruption, although there seems to be a slight chance that the political working group may meet in Geneva on December 29 or 30.

Few Left

Some members and advisers of the Indonesian delegation are still there, but only a few administrative workers of the Dutch delegation.

Conference circles are maintaining strict silence about any results of the talks, which began on December 10 after preliminary consultations.

Differences on the basis of the guarantees for Dutch in-

terests in Indonesia are holding up the work of the financial-economic experts.

The Indonesians are understood to propose their future national legislation as a basis, while the Dutch want the customary inter-state agreements on such matters to apply.

Little Progress

Further, little progress seems to have been made on the other agenda points—abrogation of the Netherlands - Indonesian Union matters relating to New Guinea (but not Dutch sovereignty over the territory) and "the matters of interest," such as the position of Dutch prisoners in Indonesia. —Reuter.

Egypt Still Considering Dam Offer

Cairo, Dec. 27.

Mr. Henry Byroade, United States Ambassador to Egypt, told reporters here today that the Egyptian Government was "still considering" America's offer of aid in the building of the Asian High Dam on the Upper Nile.

After a meeting with the Egyptian Prime Minister, Lieutenant-Colonel Gamel Abdel Nasser, Mr. Byroade said: "I did not expect an answer today."

An Egyptian Government spokesman later confirmed that no agreement had yet been reached.

According to unconfirmed reports the United States and Britain are willing to give about \$70 million (about £25 million) to Egypt to carry out the first phase of the building of the dam. Details of how the money could be made available—through the World Bank or otherwise—have yet to be fixed.

No Details

Dr. A. Mostafa el Kalsouni, Egypt's Finance Minister, returned to Cairo last week after discussing the Western offer with British, American and World Bank officials in Washington and London, no details of the discussions were disclosed.

Today Mr. Byroade discussed Dr. Kalsouni's mission in Washington with Colonel Nasser. —Reuter.

Indonesian Naval Mission In France

Cherbourg, Dec. 27.

The Indonesian naval mission, headed by the Chief-of-Staff of the Indonesian Fleet, Rear-Admiral Subianto, today visited the French naval base of Cherbourg.

The Indonesian party who are on an official visit to France until January 4, were the luncheon guests of the Maritime Prefect, Vice-Admiral Perles.

Later they inspected the Normandy shipyards, where they went over the mine-sweeper Cephece, which will be launched tomorrow. Admiral Subianto and his party then left for Brest. —France-Press.

Blamed The Spacemen

Wellington, Dec. 27.

A reader who wrote to the local newspaper at Whangarei, North Island, advanced the theory that the crew and passengers who disappeared mysteriously from the 70-ton vessel Joyita were captured by spacemen in a flying saucer.

The Joyita was found drifting between Samoa and Fiji. All aboard had vanished. "What better means of collecting a group of terrestrial beings as specimens than to take the personnel and equipment off a small defenceless vessel?" the reader asked. —China Mail Special.

Birds Damage Jet Planes

Badajoz, Dec. 27.

Three jet planes were slightly damaged when they flew into a flight of buzzards near the airfield here.

Badajoz airfield is the centre where Spanish pilots are trained in jet flying by American instructors.

The pilot of one plane had a lucky escape when a bird broke the cabin window. A bird was sucked into the jet intake of a second plane, and a third plane had its petrol tank dented. All planes landed safely. —China Mail Special.

Ships Propellers Of Nylon

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.

A Danish company expects to become the first in the world to produce ship propeller blades of nylon.

It reports excellent results from tests with nylon propeller blades intended to power fishing boats, and considers there are great possibilities with larger ships. Nylon blades are claimed to have special advantages for navigation in ice-filled waters. —China Mail Special.

OIL FOUND

Khartoum, Dec. 27.

The Sudanese press reported today oil has been found near El Fasher, in Darfur province. —United Press.

WONDER DRUGS FOR THE SOUL

Atlanta, Dec. 27.

New wonder drugs which work "like penicillin of the soul" have been found highly effective in the treatment of the love-lorn, the depressed, the financially embarrassed and the drink addicted, United States doctors and psychiatrists told the Congress of the American Association for Scientific Progress here today.

Chief among the new aids to psychiatry, cited were "Frenquel," "Reserpine," "Chlorophazine," "Meratran" and "Miltown."

Dr. Nina Toll, describing the new drugs, said that they spelled the beginning of a new era for psychiatric treatment, in the same way that penicillin had revolutionized medicine.

Violent Patients

Dr. Toll said the "Frenquel" treatment had enabled patients hitherto considered incurable to understand their mental troubles and take an interest in life again. Remarkable results had been obtained in cases of hallucination and schizophrenia.

Dr. Werner Tuleur and Dr. David Lepore told of the calming effect of "Reserpine" and "Chlorophazine" on 12 violent mental patients who were able to return to their homes.

Dr. Richard Proctor told the Congress that 20 out of 26 of his patients who took to drink as a means of drowning their sorrows, were able to withstand the urge for alcohol for periods of four to six months after "Meratran" treatment.

Each time they felt the craving for drink, they simply took a "Meratran" pill.

Dr. Veronia Pennington described the success she had had with "Miltown" in cases of nervous tension. —France-Press.

RAT-CATCHERS DILEMMA

Sydney, Dec. 27.

A rich reward of gratitude awaits the man who can find a happy solution to the problem of the men who catch rats for Sydney City Council.

An alderman reported to the council that its attempt to solve the problem by changing "rat-catchers" to "rodent exterminators" had failed. The men's wives complained that their husbands were "still pointed out on the streets as rat-catchers," he said. —China Mail Special.

MINCED FISH FOR TROUT

Wellington, Dec. 27.

Trout in Lake Kaitawa, North Island, have grown to monstrous proportions on a diet of minced fish from the water-driven turbines of Kaitawa power station.

Trout 20 pounds are common. —China Mail Special.

EXPENSIVE DRINKING IN FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 27.

Alcoholism cost France 215 milliard francs (600 million dollars) in 1953, the French National Committee for Defence against Alcoholism stated tonight.

The committee estimated that this was the cost to the nation of accidents, illness, hospital fees and prison sentences resulting from alcoholism. The committee said this sum would have been sufficient to house 430,000 people.

The committee said that out of 100 traffic accidents, 40 were caused by alcohol. Out of every 100 lunatics, 40 were alcoholics. Out of every 100 criminals, 57 were alcoholics. Out of every 100 cases of ill-treatment of children, 85 were due to alcoholism. Out of every 100 juvenile delinquents, 60 were the children of alcoholics. —France-Press.

Teacher Held Captive In Mountain Cave

Heraklion, Dec. 27.

A beautiful young school-mistress, who disappeared after dismissing her pupils at the end of their lessons, returned home next day and said she had been held captive all night in a mountain cave by a rejected suitor.

She said that she had spent "a night of horror" after being whisked away by taxi. Police arrested a local chauffeur. —China Mail Special.

LAST RIDE

Pretoria, Dec. 27.

Mr. Roelof Gouw, an invalid well-known locally, died as most people had always known him, still travelling in his wheelchair.

As he made his way home down Potgieter Street, Pretoria, his wheelchair gathered speed until a passer-by gave chase and brought it to a halt. Mr. Gouw was dead. —China Mail Special.

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NATHANIEL GUBBINS

AT the request of N. Gubbins, Esq., his stomach made the following speech to a gathering of tums:

Ladies and gentlemen,
I rise (cheers and laughter)—no joke intended I can assure you—I rise to say a few words of comfort to my long-suffering brothers and sisters who once more are enduring Boxing Day, our worst 24 hours of the year.

Ladies and gentlemen, I am not going into the nauseating details of our ordeal. I am not giving you percentages of our average acid content, nor shall I measure the number of alkalines that have come pouring down on us in an attempt to correct the balance and make us ready to endure more suffering.

I shall attempt, with your permission, to ease your unhappy situation by suggesting to you that our day of sacrifice must be borne cheerfully in order that those who unwittingly abuse us shall enjoy a brief respite from their labours. When I say unwittingly I mean that our tormentors are not wicked men and women. They are good-hearted, well-meaning people who, in the laudable spirit of good will, have allowed their enthusiasm to overcome their discretion.

Therefore, ladies and gentlemen, let us emulate their spirit of good will. Let us make the rest of their holiday as pleasant as we can.

I know this is difficult. (A voice, "You're telling us.") Although full of acid myself (oops, pardon me), I shall have to face pink gins followed by cold turkey today (a voice, "You're lucky, I shall have to face cold, fat goose"), despite the fact that I am still dealing inadequately with a surfeit of brandy-soaked Christmas pudding. (A voice, "I'm still struggling with mince pies made of lead.")

But I shall face it ladies and gentlemen. I shall fight back my nausea at the tables, at the buffet, at the bars. I shall never surrender. (Cries of "Good old Tum.") One word about lady stomachs. (A very old stomach, "God bless 'em.") In my youth ladies were moderate at all times, including Christmas. But the stress of life today has given them the appetites of men. I think there are several lady stomachs present who have had to deal with double whiskies, and one who will have to do the same to-night. (Cries of "Shame.")

Gentlemen, let us pay tribute to their gallantry. (Hear, hear.) Let us remember that although nature never intended these delicate flowers

for such treatment, they have taken their medicine like men. (Loud cheers.) Another word about the child stomachs now as tight as little drums stuffed with chocolate and rich cake. (Cries of "Poor little things.") Whatever they may be suffering today, ladies and gentlemen, let us think of it as a preparation for sterner things to come, for Boxing Days some of us will never see (the very old stomach, weeping, "I never want to see another"), and let us go forward together, giving an example to youth of courage in adversity, of patience and endurance in the face of fearful odds.

Ladies and gentlemen, let us never forget that we are British stomachs. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

The Sparrows
THE Sparrow's Nest, bright with little bits of coloured paper and torn ends of Christmas crackers found in dustbins on Boxing Day, would have been a happy place if The Sparrow had not been suffering from a seasonal hangover.

His wife, bouncing about the Nest and humming out of tune, was hoping he would observe the tiny pair of purple slacks she was wearing for the first time. But The Sparrow, his reddish beak buried in the fragment of a Sunday newspaper, took no notice.

"I hope you won't mind having a cold round worm today as we had it hot yesterday," she said, kicking one claw high in the air as she rested her tail against the doll's house table for support.

"For heaven's sake, don't talk about worms on a morning like this," said The Sparrow, growling as he turned in his little armchair.

"What's wrong with the morning?" his wife asked. "And don't ask silly questions," shouted The Sparrow. "I have Boxing Day," said his wife, "with all the cooking done and everything. That's why I'm wearing my new clothes."

She kicked the other claw in the air. Then she performed a small dance, turning round two or three times and ending with a little bow before the miniature mirror.

"Who the devil do you think you are?" snarled The Sparrow. "Margot Fonteyn?"

"I was wondering if you like my new slacks," said his wife. "Well, you can stop wondering," said The Sparrow. "I don't."

"I think they're ever so nice," said his wife. "And as warm as warm."

"You couldn't have anything much warmer than warm," said The Sparrow. "And they keep your legs ever so cosy in the wind."

"Don't be vulgar," said The Sparrow. "Vulgar?" asked his wife, a tear starting in her eye. "What's vulgar about your own wife's legs?"

"I don't want to hear about them—that's all," said The Sparrow. "If you must make a fool of yourself, why not wear drain-pipe jeans like the smart sparrows?"

"I could change them if you like," said his wife of scarlet jeans would be heaven. "I have other ideas about heaven," said The Sparrow, hopping to the front door.

"Not that awful Tree Tops Club again?" asked his wife, the tear rolling down her beak. "No," said The Sparrow, flying straight to The Other Sparrow's Nest.

The Other Sparrow, in black, tight-fitting jeans, was lying on her toy settee, a cocktail glass in her claw. A scrap of scarlet ribbon round her neck served as a knotted handkerchief and matched the lipstick on her beak.

"Good morning, Hangover," said The Other Sparrow. "Can I offer a cure?"

"Your beauty is a cure for anything," said The Sparrow. "Does that mean you don't need a cocktail?"

"Certainly not," said The Sparrow, accepting a brimming glass. "You look as if you'd had a shock."

"I have," said The Sparrow. "My wife in trousers." "Old-fashioned trousers—ups?" asked The Other Sparrow. "Yes," said The Sparrow. "Colour?"

"Purple."

"Have another drink?" said The Other Sparrow. "Thanks," said The Sparrow. "She must wear black jeans like mine," said The Other Sparrow.

"Never, never, never," shouted The Sparrow. "It would be a hideous caricature of something unspeakably lovely."

Remember the man who set the first one off!



TRUMAN: I was the Man on a Tiger

By RENE MacCOLL

THE Presidency of the United States is not only the most powerful job in the world but also the loneliest. Harry S. Truman, in his book of memoirs published recently,* stresses this loneliness.

He says he always listened to what his Cabinet had to say about any given problem—but the ultimate responsibility was his alone.

And no more frightful responsibility could have come the way of any President—let alone a President who had got the job by accident when his predecessor died in office—than that of deciding about the atom bomb.

The year was 1945. Truman had been in the White House only three months. He was Mr Average Man from Missouri, projected into a place of unrivalled power.

* "Year of Decisions," by Harry S. Truman (Hodder and Stoughton, 30s.).

THIS is Year 10 of the Atomic Age. A YEAR which—with the "blanket bomb"—is culminating in a new upsurge of the atom-bomb race between Russia and the West; and which—with the opening of the first British atom-power plant—also marks the real start of Atoms for Peace.

A YEAR in which, appropriately, comes the personal story of The Man who Made The Decision That Gave the Order That Pressed The Button That Dropped The Bomb That Made The World Atomic.

The news that it was ready reached Truman during the Potsdam Conference. Truman mentioned something about it to Stalin at a party. He deliberately played it down, and Stalin—failing to understand its importance—jokingly said that he hoped the Americans would "make good use of this against the Japanese."

The scientists recommended to Truman that the bomb be used as soon as possible. They recommended also that Churchill "naturally knew about the project from the beginning," because Britain and the U.S. had pooled their knowledge freely to make it possible.)

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and against a target which would clearly show its devastating strength."

Technical demonstrations or dress rehearsals were out. The enemy should be hit hard and right away.

"The final decision," writes Truman, "of where and when to use the bomb was up to me. Let there be no mistake about it. I regarded the bomb as a military weapon, and never had any doubt that it should be used. The top military advisers to the President recommended its use, and when I talked to Churchill he unhesitatingly told me he favoured the use of the A-bomb if it might aid to end the war."

A list of four cities was drawn up, all of them places of first-class military importance. They were Hiroshima, Kokuro, Nagasaki, and Niigata.

IRONIC
WE all know which were the two unlucky ones—but Nagasaki received the second A bomb ever dropped in anger only because the weather over Niigata was too thick.

On August 6, 1945, while Truman was on his way home, from Potsdam, aboard the U.S. heavy cruiser Augusta, he received the news of Hiroshima.

He was eating lunch with the members of the Augusta crew on the lower deck. "I was greatly moved," I said to the group of sailors around me: "This is the greatest thing in history. It's time for us to go home."

That is the Truman quote that I like best of all. There is this wonderfully ironic footnote to the story of the A bomb:—The man who took the decision to use it had been, back in 1944, chairman of the United States Senate's committee to investigate the American war effort.

Truman, scenting reckless waste in some big buildings, sent investigators along. At once Henry L. Stimson, then Secretary for War, rushed to see him.

"Senator Truman," said Stimson earnestly, "I can't talk to you about this, but it's the greatest project in the history of the world. It

is top secret. We who know what it is would appreciate your not looking."

Truman adds: I had long known Stimson to be a great American patriot. "I'll take you at your word," I told him. "I'll stop the investigation."

A year later Truman not only knew the secret—he used it.

LIKABLE

I ADMIRE Truman. Through most of his two terms as President I was covering Washington for the Daily Express.

I studied him, reported him, grew fond of him. He is an extraordinarily likable human being. He is normally extremely affable. He can display a tigerish temper, as when he sat down and dashed off a notably intemperate letter to a music critic who had been unfriendly about his daughter Margaret's singing.

Above all, the man has courage. When the great Franklin Roosevelt died suddenly on April 12, 1945, catapulting Vice-President Truman into the world's No. 1 job—with the world still convulsed by war—few people felt that the new incumbent would do even middling well.

Greeted by the White House correspondents, he turned to them with sober humility (Truman is a devout man)—with the words: "Boys, if you ever pray—pray for me now."

CHALLENGE

TO succeed such a Titan as Roosevelt was a tremendous and daunting challenge in itself alone. But to take over in all the fury and disarray, the crowding problems and incessant clamorous necessity for quick decisions on vital matters affecting millions of people everywhere, presented by that world of a decade ago—that was enough to make the bravest quail.

"Being a President," Harry Truman once said, "is like a man riding a tiger. He has to keep going or be swallowed."

Harry kept going.

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IT'S ROMANTIC, BUT A KISS IN THE STREET IS A CRIME

By Margaret Kelly

SPAIN, land of the legend, of generations of beautiful women and succession of harsh governments. Majorca, their paradise island in the sapphire Mediterranean, with moonlight bathing in crystal waters and nightclubs to suit every purse.

I had my fill of it, and never thought I could become so tired of the sound of castanets. Go into any cafe for a quiet drink,

and they advance towards you with their clackety-clack-clack. But the floor shows, even in the cheaper nightclubs, are first class, and at 2 a.m. it's the quintessence of luxury to watch performers straining every muscle in their fiery flamenco while you relax snugly with aniced coffee.

The clubs, which are mostly out-of-doors, have marble or concrete floors, and the dance bands play continuously. This makes for cramp in the ankles and long sessions with the same Spaniard, who, in garlic-laden breath, compares your eyes to the stars.

Slowly the translation jumps from Spanish to French and finally to English, your eyes have shed their sparkle as you crawl back to your table.

In one cafe I put 10 cents into what looked like a perfume machine. I held my handkerchief underneath and "got" a squirt of apple oil, substance.

The proprietor explained it was a machine for retelling your petal lighter.

Discreetly and subtly, romance abounds in the island. Where we have back porches, they have benign palm and olive trees.

Mocking in the street is a great affront to the community, so much so that the guilty parties, when found, are fined. And the crime appears in the newspapers—e.g., "Senora A was found kissing Miguel B at Avenida C."

One native explained that I must not compare the food to French or Italian cooking. I wouldn't dream of it.

course, no girl in her right mind would wander alone at night through dimly lit alleyways.

A great deal has been said about young girls travelling alone on the Continent. It's difficult to generalise even on this subject. Personally I think it's wiser to go in pairs.

If, however, a girl has visited a Continental town frequently and has a good knowledge of the language, I see no reason why she shouldn't go off on her own. The Continent is not inhabited by headhunters.

But trouble could befall a girl who, overcome by loneliness and having a poor knowledge of the district, unwittingly makes a date with a type whose counterpart in her own country she would immediately classify as undesirable.

Having visited most of the Continental countries, the Kelly rules are short and simple, viz.—you need: good eyesight, a goodly supply of money and a chaperon within safe, whistling distance.

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Monotype For Olympic Regatta New To Australia

Melbourne.

The winner of the Finn-Monotype class Gold Medal at next year's Olympic yachting regatta on Port Phillip Bay, Melbourne, will have to be an active, experienced, skilled skipper, in good physical condition.

Those qualities are necessary to get that little bit of extra speed from the monotype to be first over the line, according to Jack Savage of Williamstown, a skipper himself, a student of sailships and men who sail them and the builder of 35 Finns to be used here by competing yachtsmen.

Australia, with no Finns a year ago, now has 41 of the class. Thirty-five of them will remain unsailed until visiting skippers stretch their sails and slip them into the water for the first time.

The Finns are being built under contract for £29,000 (£1,200 sterling) provided by the organisers of the Olympic Games. They will remain the property of the organisers after the Games and will be available for sale to visiting competitors or on the local market.

The first Finns and 5.5 metre class yachts are now making

their first appearances in Australia at senior yacht clubs.

ONE DESIGN

They represent two of five classes taking part in the Olympics regatta. The other three classes are International Star Class, International Dragon Class and the 12 Square Metre "Sharpies" Class.

Competitors will have Finns built strictly to one design, to be sailed by one man. The overall length of the boat is 14 feet 9 inches, beam 4 feet 11 inches, and the sail area 108 square feet.

The centre plate is of aluminium, weighing 19 lbs and the rudder of 1 inch plywood.

By the hot mould process, Finns are "cooked" to perfection in the yards to compress the laminations. Diagonal layers of Queensland maple veneer are laid on a master mould and glued before the cooking is completed. Every hull is then finished in a jig to ensure absolute uniformity in shape.

Cotton sails, specially imported from England, will dress the craft and will remain in Navy store until they are ballasted for by the contestants.

Australian yachtsmen who have seen the first Finn have been interested in the 23 foot hollow spruce mast made of selected spruce in five pieces to match the grain. It holds the boom and pivots through 180 degrees. No stays or shrouds are used on the mast, which undergoes a stiff test for even flexibility.

The Finn Monotype was designed in 1930 by Richard Sörby, Swedish monotype and canoe specialist. It was selected by the Scandinavian Yacht Racing Association as the monotype for the 1952 Olympic Games, in which 28 nations competed.

Two of the craftsmen working at the Savage boatyards, Williamstown, on a new 5.5 metre class yacht for the Olympic Yachting Regatta, Tom Savage and Bob French, have many successes in Australian yachting behind them.

Both these men study the 5.5 metre restrictions of the International Yacht Racing Union as they work on the hull being made with imported mahogany for an unknown owner whom they call "Mr. X". The craft which they are building was ordered by a solicitor who provided the instructions for a "clinker".

CLINKER BUILT

No Olympic class yacht for next year's Games is clinker built. Like the International Dragon Class, the 5.5 metre class boats are carved built on steam bent ribs. The work must be accurate in every detail as every craft is checked by an official measurer before being passed for racing.

The weight of the mahogany covering the ribs is 35 lbs to the cubic foot, but a variation of hull sizes and sail dimensions is allowed. Length, sail area, draught and displacement are factors in official assessments.

Sails in this class may be synthetic or cotton according to the taste of each skipper and crew.

Visiting competitors are expected to spend some weeks on Port Phillip Bay getting the "feel" of the craft new to them and interpreting the mood of the Bay before racing for the Olympic medals. — China Mail Special.

A FINE GOAL



A fine goal by South China Morning Post Sports Association's Lau Chi-hung in a basketball match against Cheung Chau on Boxing Day. Cheung Chau won 51-48, but not after a hard tussle where the issue was in doubt right to the final whistle. — China Mail Photo.



In place of the usual Spot of Honour, which has become a popular feature of this column, I am substituting—for this week only—a sort of Commendation Corner to offer collective applause to all those willing 'sportsmen' who took part in the many and varied sports programmes organised by units over Christmas.

The good old hardy annuals were all in evidence. Messes teamed up to play the men: messes played against messes: all participants in the most fantastic garb and governed the strangest code of rules than man could devise too wily in unfamiliar games masquerading under familiar names.

It is all great fun of course but every Christmas the veterans declare that, as far as they are concerned, it's a case of 'never again', and as regularly as the arrival of the festive season itself, they are back again the following year.

One of the most hilarious of the Christmas games took the form of a full-scale soccer match wherein everything was normal except the ball for the special 'Christmas Rules' demanded that a rugby ball should be used.

The whole affair was treated with mock gravity by the participants although the game was actually played to roars of laughter from the spectators.

AFTERMATH

These traditional Christmas games are always great fun when they are being played on a long time afterwards. The "funny" aspect is sometimes temporarily forgotten in the immediate aftermath when creaking joints and aching muscles predominate the thoughts.

I wonder how many of those who took part in 'Unit Entertainment' games have already declared "Never again" and I wonder too, how many of them will be back in the forefront of next year's high jinks.

In spite of the trials and tribulations I hope all Army sportsmen and sports-women had a wonderful Christmas.

Army soccer will be well represented in the International Series which is due to be played at Caroline Hill tonight under floodlights. The games are as follows:—Scotland v. Portugal at 6.15 p.m. and England v. China at 8 o'clock. McInnes, McMillan, Frizell, Chalmers and McCloy will be in the line-up of the Scottish side.

Charlesworth, Crompton, White and Morris are in the English eleven while Hogan, Mullett and Chesterton are listed as reserves.

It is expected that there will be a big crowd for this 'double-header' attraction and intending spectators are advised to get to the ground as early as possible.

THIS YEAR'S BISLEY

Anyone who has had an opportunity to read through the excellent programme that has been prepared for the forthcoming Hongkong Bisley cannot fail to be impressed by the thoroughness of the general planning and the preparations that have been made.

The Bisley will be held at the Kat Tak Ranges from January 22 to 29 and the President of the Hongkong Rifle Association, Hon. M. W. Turner, points out in his foreword to the Handbook that the programme this year has been altered to conform more closely to that of the Bisley Meeting in England. It is hoped that the changes will still further increase the interest of the participants.

While the event is held under the auspices of the Hongkong Rifle Association it is actually conducted by the Army by kind permission of His Excellency The Commander British Forces.

An interesting new event has been added to the already imposing list and as this is an International Match in which members may compete for their Mother country it is expected to prove a most popular innovation. There will be a total of 35 Trophies, in addition to silver cups, bronze medals and cash.

Asian Tennis Results

Calcutta, Dec. 27. Koshi Kano of Japan and Sumit Mura of India reached the fourth round of the Men's Doubles in the Asian Lawn Tennis Championships here today.

In the third round they beat an Indian pair, E. Abrecht and P. Lall 3-5, 6-9, 6-5, 6-1. Reuter.

Concluding 'MY BOXING SECRETS', As Told By JOHNNY BEST To JOHN MACADAM

Jimmy Walsh Upset Odds—And Mizler

One of the most remarkable characters who ever ducked under the Liverpool Stadium ropes was Jimmy Walsh, of Chester, one of only two men to beat Ernie Roderick in the years of his greatness between 1935-1939.

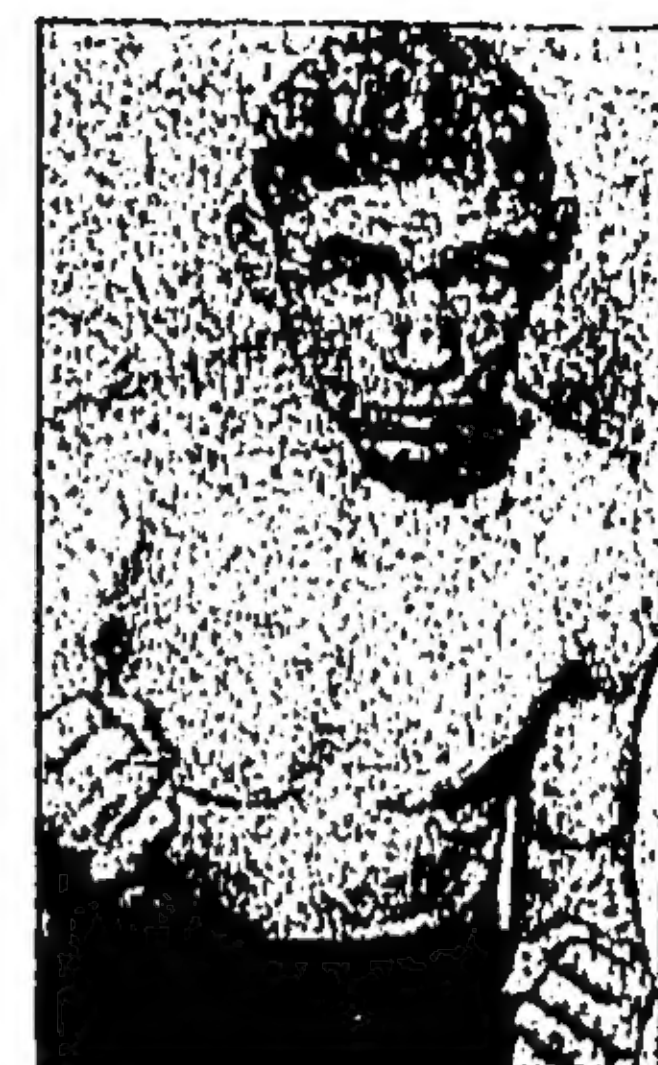
Tony and Dom Valro looked quizzically at each other one day in the early 30s when a lean scraggy lad with a dead-pan expression walked into their gym and announced that he wanted to fight.

With the weary air of men who'll try anything once, they took time out from other chores to cast an eye over him as he moved into action. One look was enough to tell them that here was more than the makings.

You may recall that the good-looking East-End Londoner Harry Mizler, was toppling them all around this time and eventually we brought him to the stadium to meet Walsh. Jimmy was only a featherweight, and local opinion did not give him much of a chance. Nevertheless, he was another of those nervous characters like Freddie Miller and Peter Kane and wasn't in the least upset.

JUST BRILLIANT

It was Mizler and the odds that were upset. Walsh put up one of the most brilliant displays of box-fighting I have



JIMMY WALSH

seen in the stadium to outpoint Mizler—the first halt in the Londoner's career.

Walsh went on to many fine wins for us. He snook Freddie Miller to his heels with some smashing right-hand punches to the jaw, and again, against the odds, put up a terrific show.

He took the lightweight title from Jack Kid Berg with us, and put Neil Tarleton down for one of the longest counts "Nellie" ever took.

Despite that long count, Neil won on points, but Jimmy Walsh went on to beat a very good American and also the formidable Jimmy Stewart.

A sensible boy, Jimmy Walsh. He looked after his money and became a highly successful business man in his own Chester, to which he had brought his only British title.

Jack Kid Berg must have been in thorough agreement with the old graveyard-of-Champions tag, for, apart from that defeat by Walsh, he was stopped by Jimmy Stewart at the stadium in a fight that is still being talked about. That was a fight, if ever there was one.

DOWN WENT BERG

Ray Arcel, that great American handkerchief, was in Berg's corner, and he must have thought the fight was in the bag when, after a couple of rounds, Berg had Stewart in an apparently helpless condition. Arcel was very confident as he sent Berg out for the kill in the third round.

But Stewart was nobody's fool. As Berg came out, the local boy loosed one of his specials to the chin and Berg went down for nine. He managed to get up and ran into another right to the jaw and went down again for nine.

Berg was a game fighter if ever there was one, and struggled up again, this time with his back to the ropes, helpless, and, before Stewart could land another punch, he slumped to the floor.

The referee, Ben Green, stepped in then, and stopped it, for Kid Berg, who had blazed his way around the States in the best tradition of the Great British fighters, had had enough. It's a funny place, the Stadium, with queer traditions and queer loyalties.

HKCC BEAT ARMY

The Hongkong Cricket Club beat the Army by three runs in the first match of the Annual Triangular Tournament between the HKCC, Army and Combined Navy and Royal Air Force at Chater Road yesterday.

The Army were very unlucky not to win the match as their tail-end batsman was run out just when Army wanted four runs for victory.

The whole day match produced a combined total of 600 runs with four half centuries scored by the Cricket Club's batsmen.

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GREAT NURSEERY

When I draw a line through them, back to unforgettable fighters and characters like Dom Volante, I reflect on what a nursery the place has been.

Of the home boys, I would say that Neil Tarleton, the phenomenal featherweight who, literally, fought most of his battles on only one fully operative lung and will-power, and Peter Kane were the best drawing cards we ever had. Both had that incalculable quality that Champions have.

No boy with any class to him at all will miss the attention of the stadium crowd, no matter where he comes from.

So long as they want to fight, and so long as I'm around, or young John is around, they'll get a fight.

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Andante
Pia Allegro
Tempo 1

(b) Sonata (K487)
Sonata
Adagio
Allegretto

(c) Sonata in A major (K511)
(d) Sonata in D major (K546)
(e) Sonata in G major (K474)
(f) Sonata in A major (K511)

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Sonata in B minor LISZT
Lento
Allegro energico
Recitativo
Andante sostenuto
Allegro energico (ragato)
Prestissimo
Andante sostenuto
Lento

— INTERVAL —
Poems of the sea KERNST BLOCH
1. Waves
2. Sea fantasy
3. At sea

Six Etudes CHOPIN
(a) A minor, Op. 10, No. 2
(b) E major, Op. 10, No. 3
(c) C minor, Op. 10, No. 13
(d) G sharp minor, Op. 10, No. 6
(e) D flat major, Op. 10, No. 5
(f) A minor, Op. 10, No. 11

Sports Diary

TODAY
Rugby: Scotland v. Portugal (4.15 p.m.)
England v. China (8 p.m.)
Both matches at Caroline Hill.
Meeting: ASP & OC, at SCM Post Boardroom, 1.30 p.m.

TOMORROW
Meeting: Executive Committee of HKASA at Club Lido, 8.30 p.m.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Family Reunion

THERE are many who find it hard to live in a house that two generations share, but in Maisie's home, four generations managed to tolerate each other.

There was Maisie, a widow of 51, and her mother, a widow too, who was 74. There were also Maisie's son and his wife, their daughter of three, and Maisie's daughter.

There were times when the house seemed uncomfortably full and others when one generation tramped the nerves of another until they were raw. But on the whole, there was contentment in the house, and the night that Maisie did not come home, there was consternation.

WAITING

"WHAT time did the silly child say she'd be back?" Maisie's mother began to ask.

"Mum didn't say any particular time," answered Maisie's son, "just said she was going shopping."

"Well the shops aren't open this time of night," said Maisie's daughter-in-law, and glanced at the clock, which was beginning to seem the most important thing in the lives of all those who waited Maisie's return. The clock reported it was after nine.

"Frops there's been another of those time hold-ups..."

"She might've met a friend."

"She could've gone to the pictures."

FEARS

NONE of them believed any of the theories they exchanged; and none dared put in words their growing fears.

At last, Maisie's son said: "I'm going to the police station and tell 'em she's missing." He put on his coat and left.

They were kind and helpful at the police station. But they had no news of Maisie. "We'll circulate her as missing," said the police. "Now can you give us a description?"

WRONG ADDRESS

THE description of her that Maisie's son gave presently reached another police station. "Hello, 'allo," said an officer there. "This sounds a bit like one of ours, doesn't it? The one that gave us a false address. We'd better check up on this."

He marched down to the cells, and opened the door of the one in which Maisie had spent the hours since her arrest for shoplifting.

"This sounds like you," he said. "You live at..."

Tearfully, Maisie nodded. Her son was sent for and quickly came round to bail his mother out. Next morning, he took her to the Clerkswell court, where she pleaded guilty to stealing 12s. 4d. worth of trifles, ranging from curtain wire to an anti-splash nozzle for a tip from a store.

SPUR OF THE MOMENT

THE magistrate, Mr. Frank Powell, listened while the story was told, and heard something of the finances of Maisie's home—the £4 10s. she earned as a machinist, her 23s. widow's pension, the £3 her children gave her.

Maisie, in deepest misery, dabbed at her eyes with a handkerchief and listened. All she could say, when the time came, was: "I'm so ashamed, so ashamed." Her son came into a brightly forgiving voice: "Dunno why she done it; 'spos it was one of those spur of the moment." The magistrate turned to Maisie.

"Will you promise you'll never do this again, even on the spur of the moment?" he asked, gently.

"I won't ever, sir," Maisie sobbed.

"I don't think you will," said the magistrate. "So I shall discharge you conditionally."

Shakily, Maisie went away, and her son hurried round to take her arm and support her and lead her back to the happy orbit of a family reunion.

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ALLEGED SUICIDE PACT: WOMAN ON MURDER CHARGE

The survivor of an alleged suicide pact appeared on trial for murder before Mr Justice James Wicks in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Kong Mei-lin, 25, married woman, is accused of the murder of Ho Lan, a woman, in the Kowloon City Hotel, Tam Kung Road, Kowloon, on August 10, 1955.

A post-mortem examination performed on the deceased revealed the cause of death was heroin poisoning by ingestion.

Accused was also found to be suffering from the same poisoning, similarly taken, medical evidence showed.

Mr Simon Li, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. Accused is defended by Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Victor Lam.

Six men and a woman have been empaneled as a jury.

UNUSUAL CASE

Crown Counsel said that accused was charged with murder. It was a type of murder quite different from other cases that had so far been brought to the notice of the Courts, and it was in normal circumstances impracticable to accuse a person of this type of murder because the person accused in such cases would probably not be amenable to justice in this world.

The evidence, however, was straightforward, Mr Li said. Evidence would be called that the accused and the deceased went to the hotel and hired a room there. The following day they were found unconscious in the room and rushed to hospital.

The accused was saved in time but the deceased died, said Crown Counsel. Medical evidence would be called to show that the cause of death of the deceased was the taking of heroin in powder form. Accused also was found to be suffering from heroin poisoning. Medical evidence would further say that but for the fact that prompt action was taken accused would have died also.

LETTERS IN BAG

The Police found a plastic bag in the room where the women had stayed. In it were three letters. It was the opinion of a Police handwriting expert that the writing on the letters and on the hotel register, and a specimen writing taken from the accused was of the same person.

Mr Li said that both the deceased and the accused were in very poor circumstances.

Crown Counsel told the jury that after hearing the opening and the evidence to be adduced one might feel a certain amount of sympathy for the accused, but sympathy alone was not sufficient to acquit a person if there was evidence to convict.

He said that if the jury were satisfied from the evidence that the accused entered into an agreement with the deceased to commit suicide and the deceased died, then the survivor was guilty of murder. If they were satisfied from the evidence that the accused by her conduct encouraged, counselled or procured the deceased to take the heroin powder so as to kill herself, accused would be guilty of murder. Alternatively if the jury were satisfied that the accused aided or abetted the deceased to commit suicide the verdict in his submission should also be guilty.

If, however, the jury had any reasonable doubt that either of the above propositions did not exist, i.e. that the accused and deceased did not agree to die together, that the accused did not counsel or procure the deceased to take poison or that she did not aid or abet the deceased to take away her life, then the jury must acquit the accused.

MATTER OF LAW

What he had been saying to the jury about coming to their verdict was a matter of law and his Lordship in his summing-up would direct the jury accordingly, and they must accept the law from his Lordship.

Mr Li said that a simple definition of murder was the unlawful killing of any person without any justification. He

quoted from the 33rd edition of Archbold, page 933, paragraph 1,933, with the heading Suicide Pacts as follows: "If two persons mutually agree to commit suicide together and accordingly attempt to do so but only one of them dies, the survivor is guilty of murder."

Mr. Det. Insp. M. Todd of Kowloon City Police Station said that on August 10 he read a charge of murder to an accused. She made a statement in reply to the charge.

Dr. C. M. Chiu, medical officer attached to Kowloon Hospital said that on the afternoon of August 10 accused was brought to the hospital. She was found to be unconscious. He gave her treatment and revived her. She was suffering from heroin poisoning by ingestion.

In cross-examination, Mr. Yu asked: "On your examination of the accused, would you say she would have definitely died if she had not been treated by you?" Witness: Yes.

Hearing is proceeding.

Mail Notices

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Thailand, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa and Europe, 6 p.m.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

By Air
Japan, 8 a.m.
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, 9 a.m.
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Thailand, Pakistan, Lebanon, Germany, Great Britain, Noon.
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Thailand, Burma, India, 6 p.m.
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Macao, 1 p.m.
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Macao, 6 p.m.

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Macao, 1 p.m.
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Macao, 6 p.m.

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Macao, 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

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MONDAY, JANUARY 2

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Malaya, West Africa 1/2 via Fremantle, 4 p.m.
Korea, 5 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.



LT-Gen. Sir Cecil Sugden inspecting the Police guard of honour at Police Headquarters this morning.—Staff Photographer.

TWO ACCUSED OF ROBBING INSPECTOR

Two men were accused at the Criminal Sessions this morning of robbing a Police inspector.

The accused, Choy Ching-kung, alias Ma Tsui, and Yeung Chi-yeung, pleaded not guilty to robbery with violence.

They are alleged to have robbed Sub-Inspector Kenneth Harry Wheeler of a wrist watch, a cigarette lighter, a pair of tweezers, one Hongkong dollar in coins, three grammes of heroin and five grammes of morphine.

The case is being heard by Mr Justice J. R. Gregg, Police Judge. A jury of six men and a woman was empaneled.

Second accused alone faced an alternative charge of assaulting complainant and occasioning him actual bodily harm.

Mr W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Detective-Inspector A. Anderson. Mr Brook A. Bernacchi is defending second accused, instructed by Mr P. C. Woo.

Mr Collier told the jury that about noon on August 2, Sub-Inspector Wheeler with another Police officer went to arrest two persons they suspected were selling dangerous drugs. One of these persons was second accused.

SET UPON

The complainant managed to arrest the other person, but second accused got away. The officers were taking their man to the Police Station when they were set upon by a number of men.

A struggle ensued, during which one of the men—alleged to be second accused—put his arms around Sub-Inspector Wheeler's neck and pulled him to the ground. Another of the group, the first accused, allegedly tore off one of the Inspector's trousers pocket, taking with it its contents.

Crown Counsel went on to say that the wrist watch that belonged to complainant. The other things had been taken from the person of the man who was being arrested.

MAN HIT

Mr Collier said the group of men then ran away. Sub-Inspector Wheeler saw a man running with his trouser pocket. He chased him and fired some shots. The man was hit and was taken into custody. He was the first accused.

Second accused was not arrested until September 30. He was identified by complainant at an identification parade.

Giving corroborative evidence, Sub-Inspector Wheeler said he was on duty with Corporal 1774. He had two men under observation for about an hour in the vicinity of Centre Street and First Street (Central District). The corporal tried to catch second accused, but failed. The other man was caught.

The witness said he took the various exhibits from the man and put them inside his shirt

trouser pocket. There was also \$20, but this he put inside his shirt pocket. He and the corporal and the prisoner then walked in an Easterly direction along First Street. After passing the Centre Street junction, they were suddenly attacked.

Someone pulled him to the ground from behind. Four or five men held him down. One of the assailants tore at his pocket. He heard a shot being fired. His assailants jumped up and ran away.

GAVE CHASE

Sub-Inspector Wheeler said he saw Corporal 1774 standing nearby with his revolver in his hand. Seeing a man running away up Centre Street with his trouser pocket, he (witness) gave chase and shot at him.

When first accused collapsed, complainant went up to him and asked if he was in pain. First accused replied: "It does not matter, Inspector." Corporal 1774 phoned for an ambulance and the wounded man was taken to hospital.

Cross-examined by first accused, complainant said there was no one else in Centre Street at the time he chased and shot at him. Asked how it was, then, that he shot and wounded other people as well, Sub-Inspector Wheeler said he believed two other persons were wounded by his bullets.

Hearing is proceeding.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6:30 Lucky Dip; 7:00 Variety Requests presented by Margherita (Studio); 7:30 Weather Report; 7:45 Time Signal and The News (London Relay); 8:00 Special Announcement; 8:15 Academy Award Song Hits; 8:30 Time for Jazz with Robin Day (Studio); 9:00 Listener's Choice presented by Mary Farley (Studio); 9:30 Your Radio Concert Hall—Jida Sayao (soprano) with Gwyneth Jones and the Orchestra; 10:00 Time Signal; Wednesday Theatre—The Trial of Peter Heywood—The Story of a Midshipman by H.M.S. Bounty, written and produced by Arthur Swinson (BBC75); 10:30 Far Away Places; 10:50 Music of the Twentieth Century—London Studio Concert, by the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conducted by Sir John Barrow; 11:00 Weather Report; 11:15 Time Signal; Radio News Reel (Recorded London Relay); 11:30 Goodnight Music; God Save the Queen; 11:50 Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

3 p.m. Wednesday Concert—Dance of the Polka; 3:45, Black House—by Charles Dickens; 4:10, Troubadour; 4:30, The Merry Widow; 4:50, The Merry Widow; 5:10, The Merry Widow; 5:30, The Merry Widow; 5:50, The Merry Widow; 6:10, The Merry Widow; 6:30, The Merry Widow; 6:50, The Merry Widow; 7:10, The Merry Widow; 7:30, The Merry Widow; 7:50, The Merry Widow; 8:10, The Merry Widow; 8:30, The Merry Widow; 8:50, The Merry Widow; 9:10, The Merry Widow; 9:30, The Merry Widow; 9:50, The Merry Widow; 10:10, The Merry Widow; 10:30, The Merry Widow; 10:50, The Merry Widow; 11:10, The Merry Widow; 11:30, The Merry Widow; 11:50, The Merry Widow; 12:10, The Merry Widow; 12:30, The Merry Widow; 12:50, The Merry Widow; 1:10, The Merry Widow; 1:30, The Merry Widow; 1:50, The Merry Widow; 2:10, The Merry Widow; 2:30, The Merry Widow; 2:50, The Merry Widow; 3:10, The Merry Widow; 3:30, The Merry Widow; 3:50, The Merry Widow; 4:10, The Merry Widow; 4:30, The Merry Widow; 4:50, The Merry Widow; 5:10, The Merry Widow; 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